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General Assembly Program Outline

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Foreword

Our responsibility in this Third General Assembly of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A. is almost staggering. The churches that sent us here represent the major aggregation of religious forces in this country, and as such have the heaviest responsibility for its spiritual welfare.

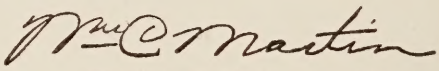
According to the world's measure of power, our country has only recently emerged as the most powerful nation in history. It confronts unprecedented opportunities, and at the same time moral hazards. Real power must be morally responsible. The significance of the role of "This Nation Under God" cannot be overestimated. On the other hand, if this nation is not brought more fully under God, its own future will be in peril and the peace of the world jeopardized by the menace of irresponsible power.

So our responsibility — the responsibility of our churches — is great. But it need not be overwhelming, because God's power is available to us if we are obedient and faithful. By his power, and by his power alone, we may be enabled.

God gave the spirit of unity in Christ that brought the National Council of Churches into being four years ago. God is the judge before whom we bring the reports of our labors of the past biennium. God will give us guidance for making decisions and for planning for the future if we put our trust in him.

Bearing these facts of our faith constantly in mind, we may go about our work in quietness and confidence, grateful for our high calling to his service in this hour.

Let our constant prayer be that the Holy Spirit may be among us to guide, strengthen, and inspire, that we may show forth the saving power and love of God through Jesus Christ.



WILLIAM C. MARTIN, *president*

General Information

Meeting Places

Opening Service of Worship

Old South Church, Copley Square

General Public Sessions

Symphony Hall, Huntington and Massachusetts Avenues

Plenary Business Sessions

Nov. 29, 30, Dec. 1, 2, Hotel Statler, Ball Room

Dec. 3, Old South Church, Copley Square

Division Assemblies

Christian Education, Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Ball Room

Christian Life and Work, Hotel Statler, Parlors A, B, C

Foreign Missions, Hotel Statler, Georgian Room

Home Missions, Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Oval Room

Section Meetings

Section I, Hotel Statler, Ball Room

Section II, Hotel Statler, Georgian Room

Section III, John Hancock Auditorum, Stuart and Berkeley Streets

Section IV, Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Ball Room

Fellowship Dinner

Hotel Statler, Ball Room

(*For other meetings, see Schedule of Meetings*)

General Arrangements

General Administrative Office

Hotel Statler, Hancock Room, Mezzanine

Office for Hotel Arrangements and Treasury Operations

Hotel Statler, Parlor E.

Press, Broadcasting and Films

Hotel Statler

Headquarters Rooms, 435 (*Radio*), 436 (*Press*)

Registration for the General Assembly and for the Division Assemblies

Hotel Statler, Mezzanine

Seating and Classifications

Voting Representatives

Persons officially appointed by denominations and councils of churches according to the provisions of the constitution will be assigned seats at tables in section A of the Hotel Statler Ball Room and a reserved section at Old South Church.

Alternate Voting Representatives

Persons appointed to serve in case official representatives are unable to do so will be assigned to section B and will be seated as consultants on the main floor of the Hotel Statler Ball Room.

Consultants

Persons who were members of the 1952 *General Assembly and not reappointed for the next biennium* (*or triennium*), *members of the supervisory units of the National Council and members of the executive staff* have the privilege of the floor, except voting, when recognized by the Chair. Consultants will be seated insofar as possible in Section B and the Balcony of the Hotel Statler Ball Room.

Invited Guests

Including speakers will be seated at designated tables in the Hotel Statler Ball Room, together with Fraternal Delegates from other Christian bodies.

Visiting Delegates

Appointees from denominational and interdenominational agencies, and wives and husbands of persons listed under previous classifications will be seated in the Hotel Statler Ball Room Assembly and as seats may be available in the balcony of the Hotel Statler Ball Room.

Visiting Student Delegates

Who have been certified through the Office of the Interseminary Committee of the National Council will have charge of ushering, distribution of materials, and messenger service for Plenary Sessions of the General Assembly.

Badges

Colored badges will be distributed as follows:

Voting Representatives.....*White*
Alt.Voting Representatives..*Yellow bar*
Consultants .....*Blue bar*
Visiting Delegates.....*Green bar*
Fraternal Delegates.....*Green bar*
Visting Student Delegates..*Green ribbon*
Press .....*Yellow ribbon*
Staff .....*Blue ribbon*
Invited Guests.....*White ribbon*
Hospitality Committee.....*Pink ribbon*

Information Desk

Hotel Statler, Mezzanine, near the registration desk

Lost and Found

Registration Desk

Banquet, Luncheon, and Dinner Tickets

May be secured at a desk on the Mezzanine of Hotel Statler, adjacent to the registration desk

Special Offices

Hotel Statler, 4th floor
Press Room and Lounge—Room 436
Broadcasting and Films—Room 435
Audio-Visual Equipment—Room 433
Mimeograph Center—Room 437
Supplies—Room 439
Business Office—Room 441
Secretarial Pool—Room 442
Committee on Message—Room 416
Visiting Student Delegates—Room 411

Assigned Rooms—Symphony Hall

General Assembly Processional Robing Room
For Public Session Sunday, November 28, *basement floor. Use stage door entrance from St. Stephens Street near Massachusetts Avenue.*

Assembly Center for Choirs and Glee Club
Tuning room first floor

General Assembly Administrative Office
Secretary's Office, main floor, Massachusetts Avenue entrance

Assembly Room for Speakers and Guests
For Public Sessions at Symphony Hall, Room A, first floor

Ushers' Headquarters for Symphony Hall
Sessions of the General Assembly, Room B, first floor

Photography

Amateur photographers are asked to consult the ushers for guidance in taking pictures during sessions of the Assembly. Press photographers are asked to consult the photography desk in the press room.

The co-operation of all photographers is requested in helping to facilitate the orderly conduct of business and in preserving the solemnity of religious services.

Pictures

General Assembly souvenir photographs may be purchased, and arrangements made for photographs to be taken of special groups, at the press room.

Exhibit

An exhibit portraying phases of the co-operative work which the churches carry forward through their National Council of Churches will be found in the Hotel Statler, Ball Room Assembly Alcove.

Religious Book Store

Hotel Statler, Ball Room Assembly Alcove.

Copies of Speeches

Texts of addresses and speeches will not be available for General Assembly participants.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Saturday, November 27

8:30 A.M. Nominating Committee, *Hotel Statler,* Bay State Room
10:00 A.M. Study and Adjustment Committee, *Hotel Statler,* Bay State Room
2:00 P.M. General Board, *Hotel Statler,* Bay State Room
3:00 P.M. Committee on Religious Liberty, *Hotel Statler* (Room number to be posted on 4th floor)
6:00 P.M. Committee on Message, *Hotel Statler,* Room 419
7:30 P.M. Program and Field Operations, *Hotel Statler,* Bay State Room

Sunday, November 28

8:15 A.M. Press, *Hotel Statler,* Parlor A, Mezzanine
1:30 P.M. Executive Board, Division of Home Missions, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Back Bay Room
4:00 P.M. Service of Worship and Thanksgiving, *Old South Church,* Copley Square
5:15 P.M. Viewing Pictures and Historical Exhibit, *Boston Public Library,* Copley Square
8:00 P.M. General Public Session, *Symphony Hall*

Monday, November 29

7.45 A.M. Committee on Ministry to Defense Communities, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Room 131
9:30 A.M. Plenary Business Session, *Hotel Statler,* Ball Room
12:15 P.M. Luncheon, Central Department of Ecumenical Relations, *Hotel Statler,* Room 408
12:15 P.M. Luncheon, Association of Council Secretaries, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* State Suite
12:15 P.M. Luncheon, Division of Christian Education, Business Committee, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Back Bay Room
12:15 P.M. Luncheon, Rural Missions Co-operating Committee, *Hotel Statler,* Room 407
2:30 P.M. Division Assemblies:
Christian Education, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Ball Room
Christian Life and Work, *Hotel Statler,* Parlors A, B, C
Foreign Missions, *Hotel Statler,* Georgian Room
Home Missions, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Oval Room
7:00 P.M. Fellowship Dinner, *Hotel Statler,* Ball Room

Tuesday, November 30

7:30 A.M. Breakfast, American Baptist Participants, *Hotel Statler,* Parlor C
7:30 A.M. Breakfast, Division of Life and Work, Denominational Staff Council, *Hotel Statler,* Rooms 406-8
7:30 A.M. Breakfast, Section III Participants, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Back Bay Room
7:45 A.M. Breakfast, Division of Foreign Missions and International Missionary Council, *Hotel Statler,* Room 418
7:45 A.M. Personnel Committee, Urban Church, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Room 131
9:30 A.M. Plenary Business Session, *Hotel Statler,* Ball Room

12:15 P.M. Service of Installation of General Secretaries, *Trinity Church,* Copley Square
1:00 P.M. Home Missions Luncheon, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Foyer
1:00 P.M. Foreign Missions Luncheon, *Hotel Statler,* Bay State Room
2:45 P.M. Division Assemblies:
Christian Education, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Ball Room
Christian Life and Work, *Hotel Statler,* Parlors A, B, C
Foreign Missions, *Hotel Statler,* Georgian Room
Home Missions, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Oval Room
7:30 P.M. Sectional Meetings:
I. The Churches' World-wide Concerns, *Hotel Statler,* Ball Room
II. The Churches' Witness Within the Nation, *Hotel Statler,* Georgian Room
III. The Churches' Specialized Ministry to Groups, *John Hancock Auditorium*
IV. The Churches' Nurture of Their Members, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Ball Room

Wednesday, December 1

7:30 A.M. Breakfast, Division of Home Missions, City Theme Participants, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Room 131
9:30 A.M. Division Assemblies:
Christian Education, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Ball Room
Christian Life and Work, *Hotel Statler,* Parlors A, B, C
Foreign Missions, *Hotel Statler,* Georgian Room
Home Missions, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Oval Room
12:15 P.M. United Church Men's Luncheon, *Sheraton Plaza Hotel,* Foyer
12:15 P.M. United Church Women's Luncheon, *Hotel Statler,* Ball Room
3:00 P.M. Plenary Business Session, *Hotel Statler,* Ball Room
7:30 P.M. General Public Session, *Symphony Hall*

Thursday, December 2

9:30 A.M. Plenary Business Session, *Hotel Statler,* Ball Room
12:15 P.M. Luncheon, Joint Department of American Communities Overseas, *Hotel Statler,* Parlor C
2:30 P.M. Plenary Business Session, *Hotel Statler,* Ball Room
5:00 P.M. Church of the Brethren (Place to be announced)
5:00 P.M. Congregational Christian Churches, *Sheraton Plaza,* State Suite
5:00 P.M. Evangelical and Reformed Church, *Hotel Statler,* Room 415
5:30 P.M. A.M.E. Zion, *A.M.E. Zion Church,* Corner Columbus Avenue and North Hampton Street
6:15 P.M. Augustana Lutheran Church (Place to be announced)
6:15 P.M. Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, *Church of the Covenant*
(*Schedule for other denominational meetings may be obtained at the Information Desk*)
8:00 P.M. General Public Session, *Symphony Hall*

Friday, December 3

9:30 A.M. Plenary Business Session, *Old South Church,* Copley Square
12:30 P.M. Luncheon, General Board, *Old South Church, Mary Norton Hall,* Copley Square
2:30 P.M. Plenary Business Session, *Old South Church,* Copley Square
5:00 P.M. Adjournment

GENERAL PUBLIC SESSIONS

Sunday afternoon, November 28, at 4:00 in Old South Church, Copley Square

SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND THANKSGIVING
Sermon: "Till He Come" *Rev. Paul E. Scherer*
Sharing in the Service: *Bishop William C. Martin, Rev. Douglas Horton, Rev. Reuben E. Nelson, Choir of Old South Church,* Copley Square; *Carl McKinley* at the organ

SPECIAL INVITATION, 5:15 to 6:00
The Boston Public Library invites General Assembly participants to view the *Frieze of the Prophets* by John Henry Sargent, the *Holy Grail* by Edwin A. Abbey, and the Thomas Prince Collection of Early Religious Americana, including the *Bay Psalm Book.*

Sunday evening, November 28, at 8:00 in Symphony Hall

GENERAL PUBLIC SESSION—*Presiding: Rev. Hermann N. Morse*
Processional of the Official Representatives of the Churches
Greetings from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:
Hon. Christian A. Herter, governor
Presentation of the Program of the General Assembly: *Rev. Truman B. Douglass*
The President's Address: *Bishop William C. Martin*
Music: The Harvard University Glee Club, *G. Wallace Woodworth,* conductor
Address: "The Christian World Mission," *Rev. George MacLeod*
Sharing in the Service: *Rev. Reuben H. Mueller, Rev. Eugene L. Smith; George Butler* at the organ

Monday evening, November 29, at 7:00 in Hotel Statler Ball Room

FELLOWSHIP DINNER—*Presiding: The Rt. Rev. Norman B. Nash*
Invocation: *Rev. A. Dale Fiers*
Introduction of Persons at the Head Table
Recognition of Retired Staff Members: *Rev. Glenn W. Moore*
Greetings from the Mayor of Boston: *Hon. John B. Hymes*
Music: Solo, *Charles B. Matheson*
Address: "Freedom's Religious Foundations," *Rev. Roland H. Bainton*
Benediction: *Rev. Alfred Jensen*

Tuesday noon, November 30, at 12:15 in Trinity Church, Copley Square

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION—*Presiding: Bishop William C. Martin*
Rev. Roy G. Ross, general secretary
Rev. Roswell P. Barnes, associate general secretary
Sharing in the Service: *Rev. Samuel McCrea Cavert, Rev. Ralph Waldo Lloyd, Rev. Riley B. Montgomery, Rev. Hermann N. Morse; George H. Faxon* at the organ

Wednesday noon, December 1, at 12:15 — Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Foyer

UNITED CHURCH MEN'S LUNCHEON:
Invocation: *Bishop John Wesley Lord*
Music: Boston University Glee Club, *James D. Houghton,* director
Address: *Rev. Harold C. Case*

Wednesday noon, December 1, at 12:15 Hotel Statler, Ball Room

UNITED CHURCH WOMEN'S LUNCHEON:
PRESIDING: *Rev. Mrs. James D. Wyker*
Address: *Mrs. W. Murdoch MacLeod*

Wednesday evening, December 1, at 7:30 in Symphony Hall

GENERAL PUBLIC SESSION—*Presiding: Rev. Truman B. Douglass*
Theme: Christian Higher Education
Introduction of platform guests and theological students from seminaries in New England
Address: "Christian Higher Education in Contemporary Culture,"
Rev. Robert L. Calhoun
Commentaries on the address: *Frances Charrier, William Stringfellow*
Sharing in the Service: *Norman Keim, Rev. Raymond F. McLain, Marvin Van den Berg, Rev. O. Walter Wagner, David Willis; George H. Faxon* at the organ
9:00 P.M.: Public Rehearsal by the Boston Symphony Orchestra, chorus and soloist, for the première presentation of *Samuel Barber's* Oratorio based upon four of *Soren Kierkegaard's* Prayers. *Charles Munch,* music director
10:00 P.M. Benediction: *Rev. Truman B. Douglass*
INTERMISSION

Thursday evening, December 2, at 8:00 in Symphony Hall

GENERAL PUBLIC SESSION—*Presiding: Bishop William C. Martin*
Theme: Christian World Responsibility
Scripture Lesson and Prayer: *Rev. Albert Buckner Coe*
Address: "Christian World Responsibility," *Hon. Charles Malik*
Offering for the support of the co-operative work of the churches through their National Council of Churches, *Rev. Albert Buckner Coe*
Music: Chorus *pro Musica,* under the direction of *Alfred N. Patterson*
Address: "Christian Foundations for World Order," *Hon. Lester B. Pearson*
Sharing in the Service: *Rev. Ansley C. Moore; George H. Faxon* at the organ

PLENARY SESSIONS

Monday morning, November 29, at 9:30 in Hotel Statler, Ball Room

PRESIDING: *Bishop William C. Martin*
Invocation: *Bishop William C. Martin*
Greetings from the Massachusetts Council of Churches: *Bishop John Wesley Lord*
Appointments of Committees of the General Assembly: *J. Earl Moreland*

a. Credentials Committee
b. Reference and Counsel Committee
c. Memorials Committee
d. Courtesies Committee
e. Message Committee
f. Review of Reports Committee

Report of Credentials Committee
Approval of Minutes of General Assembly held in Denver, Colorado, December 9-12, 1952
Approval of docket for the 1954 General Assembly
Report of nominations of General Secretary and Associate General Secretary by the General Board: *Rev. Hermann N. Morse*
Presentation of *Workbook* for the Assembly: *Rev. Wilbur C. Parry*
Presentation of the Plan and Purpose of the Sections: *Leila W. Anderson*
Hymn
Statement on "The State of the Churches": *Rev. Roy G. Ross, Rev. Roswell P. Barnes*
Announcements: *Rev. J. Quinter Miller*
Worship: *Rev. Mrs. James D. Wyker*
Benediction: *Rev. Mrs. James D. Wyker*

Tuesday morning, November 30, at 9:30 in Hotel Statler, Ball Room

PRESIDING: *Rev. Hermann N. Morse*
Invocation: *Rev. Henry A. Boyd*
Presentation of reports of General Administration and Council Units: *Rev. Roy G. Ross*
Reports from the General Board: *Bishop William C. Martin*

A. *For information* (acted upon by the General Board under its ad interim authority granted in Article IX of the Constitution)
   1. General Board Operations: *Bishop William C. Martin*
   2. Policy and Strategy: *Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill*

Hymn

   3. Study and Adjustment: *Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam*
   4. Business and Finance: *Charles R. Hook*

B. *For information* (acted upon by the General Board on the basis of authority granted in Article XIII of the General Bylaws)
   Headquarters Location: *Rev. Edwin T. Dahlberg*

Report of Reference and Counsel Committee regarding proposed procedures

Introduction of items for consideration by the Reference and Counsel Committee
Announcements: *Rev. J. Quinter Miller*
Benediction: *Bishop D. T. Gregory*

Wednesday afternoon, December 1, at 3:00 in Hotel Statler, Ball Room

PRESIDING: *Bishop William C. Martin*
Invocation: *Rev. Fr. Vasile Hategan*
Address: "The Churches' Responsibility Within the Armed Forces,"
Chaplain (Major General) Charles I. Carpenter
Preliminary Report of the Message Committee: *Bishop Gerald H. Kennedy*
Reports from the General Board (continued)
C. *For Action* (By the General Assembly in accordance with Article IX of the Constitution)
Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws: *Rev. Luther A. Weigle*
Report of Constituent Membership Committee: *Rev. Reuben E. Nelson*
Report of Reference and Counsel Committee
Introduction of items for consideration by the Reference and Counsel Committee
Additional business considerations
Announcements: *Rev. J. Quinter Miller*
Benediction: *Rev. Willis R. Ford*

Thursday morning, December 2, at 9:30 in Hotel Statler, Ball Room

PRESIDING: *Bishop William C. Martin*
Invocation: *Rev. E. C. Scott*
Report of the Reference and Counsel Committee
Introduction of items for consideration by the Reference and Counsel Committee
Additional business considerations
Report of the General Board Nominating Committee on Election of Officers, Election of Chairmen of Standing Committees: *J. Earl Moreland*
Report of Committee on Review of Reports of General Administration and Council Units: *Rev. Hermann N. Morse*
Hymn
Presentation and discussion of recommendations from Section I: The Churches' World-wide Concerns, *Mrs. Douglas Horton*
Announcements: *Rev. J. Quinter Miller*
Worship: *Rev. Theodore P. Ferris*
Benediction: *Rev. Theodore P. Ferris*

Thursday afternoon, December 2, at 2:30 in Hotel Statler, Ball Room

PRESIDING: *Rev. Hermann N. Morse*
Invocation: *Rev. J. Clinton Hoggard*
Report of Memorials Committee
Report of Reference and Counsel Committee

Additional business considerations
Recommendations for revision of the Certificate of Incorporation: *Rev. Roy G. Ross*
Hymn
Presentation and discussion of recommendations from Section II: The Churches' Witness Within the Nation: *Charles P. Taft*
Announcements: *Rev. J. Quinter Miller*
Benediction: *Rev. Paul M. Schroeder*

Friday morning, December 3, at 9:30 in Old South Church, Copley Square

PRESIDING: *Rev. Herman N. Morse*
Invocation: *Rev. John W. Harms*
Report of Courtesies Committee
Report of Reference and Counsel Committee
Additional business considerations
Report of Message Committee: *Bishop Gerald H. Kennedy*
Hymn
Presentation and discussion of recommendations from Section III: The Churches' Ministry to Specialized Groups, *Mrs. Norman Vincent Peale*
Announcements: *Rev. J. Quinter Miller*
Worship: *Bishop Bertram W. Doyle*
Benediction: *Bishop Bertram W. Doyle*

Friday afternoon, December 3, at 2:30 in Old South Church, Copley Square

PRESIDING: *Bishop William C. Martin*
Scripture Lesson and Prayer: *Rt. Rev. Horace W. B. Donegan*
Presentation and discussion of recommendations from Section IV: The Churches' Nurture of Their Members, *Rev. Paul Calvin Payne*
Service of Installation: *Bishop William C. Martin*
Officers of the Council
General Board
Executive Staff
Message from the President: Newly Installed President
Closing Prayer and Benediction: Newly Installed President
Adjournment

Division Assemblies

(Voting representatives, alternates, and consultants are expected to attend only the assemblies of the division to which they have been assigned and with which they are associated.)

Division of Christian Education, Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Ball Room

MONDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 29, AT 2:30
Worship: *Rev. Forrest L. Knapp*
Business Session
Biennial Report of the Executive Secretary: *Rev. Gerald E. Knoff*
Recommended Action on Divisional Representation on the General Board: *Rev. Harry H. Kalas*

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 30, AT 2:45
Prayer
A Symposium on Religion and Public Education, "Our Nation, Our Schools, Our Christian Faith": *Rolfe Lanier Hunt, Rev. J. Q. Schisler, Ernest R. Caverly*
Two Years with the Revised Standard Version of the Bible: *Rev. Luther A. Weigle, Rev. J. Carter Swaim*
Christian Family Life, a Growing Edge: *Bishop Hazen G. Werner, Rev. Raymond R. Peters, Rev. Richard E. Lentz*

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 1, AT 9:00
The Twenty-third International Quadrennial Convention: *Rev. Reuben H. Mueller, Ralph N. Mould, Loren E. Walters*
New Patterns for Missionary Education: *Avis E. Harvey, Rev. Franklin D. Cogswell, Rev. J. Allan Ranck*
Action on Proposed Bylaw Changes
Division Business

Division of Christian Life and Work, Hotel Statler, Parlors A, B, C

MONDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 29, AT 2:30
Presiding: Arthur S. Flemming, chairman
Worship: *Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill*
Constituting the Assembly
Address: The Strategy of the Churches in Christian Life and Work: *Rev. Eugene Carson Blake*
Report of the Chairman: *Arthur S. Flemming*
Report of the Executive Secretary: *C. Arild Olsen*
Discussion

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 30, AT 2:45
Worship: *Rev. Randolph S. Merrill*
Panel: The Strategy of the Churches and the Programs of the Departments in Christian Life and Work
MODERATOR: *Arthur S. Flemming*
PANELISTS: *Division Staff*
Discussion

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 1, AT 9:00
Worship: *Rev. E. Spencer Parsons*
Plenary Session
Committee Reports, Evaluations and Recommendations

Division of Foreign Missions, Hotel Statler, Georgian Room

Theme: "The Pattern of Things to Come"

Presiding: Rev. Raymond A. Dudley, chairman

MONDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 29, AT 2:30
Call to Worship: *Rev. Peter K. Emmons*
Business Session
Symposium: "The Pattern of Things to Come in Evangelism," *Rev. Rolf A. Syrdal*
Discussion
Musical Interval: *Ruth Harris*
Address: "The Pattern of Things to Come in Southern Asia," *David G. Moses*
Discussion

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 30, AT 1:00
Luncheon, Hotel Statler, Bay State Room

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 30, AT 2:45
Call to Worship: *Rev. Peter K. Emmons*
Business Session
Address: "The Pattern of Things to Come in Our Institutions," *Rev. Alford Carleton*
Discussion
Musical Interval: *Ruth Harris*
Address: "The Pattern of Things to Come in Africa," *Rev. George W. Carpenter*
Discussion
Business Session

TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 30, AT 10:00
Executive Board Meeting, Hotel Statler, Room 415

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 1, AT 9:00
Call to Worship: *Rev. Peter K. Emmons*
Address: "The Pattern of Things to Come in Latin America," *Rev. B. Foster Stockwell*
Discussion
Musical Interval: *Ruth Harris*
Panel Presentation and Discussion: "The Pattern of Things to Come in Working Together," *Rev. E. Bruce Copland,* moderator
Final Business Session
Closing Worship: *Rev. Raymond A. Dudley*

Division of Home Missions, Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Oval Room

MONDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 29, AT 2:30

Presiding: Rev. Earl R. Brown, chairman

Worship: *Rev. Berlyn V. Farris*
Visual Report of the Work of the Division of Home Missions
Report of the Executive Secretaries
Message by the Chairman

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 30, AT 1:00
Luncheon, Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Foyer
Première showing of Filmstrip on "Indians in Rapid City"
Panel Discussion: "Indians Come to Town," *Alice Maloney,* chairman: *Rev. E. Russell Carter, Rev. Vine V. Deloria, Mrs. James M. Evans, Mrs. Robert L. Rosenthal, Charles M. Smith*

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 30, AT 3:00—*Presiding: Helen Kenyon*
Business Session

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 1, AT 9:00—*Presiding: Rev. Alexander E. Sharp*
Prayer: *Rev. Theron Chastain*
Business Session
The Church Confronts the City, *Rev. Harold H. Baldwin,* presiding
"Man and God in the City," *Rev. Kenneth D. Miller*
"Looking at the Facts," *Rev. David W. Barry*
"Adequate Churching of Urban Populations"
Panel Discussion: *Rev. Richard S. McCarroll,* chairman; *Rev. B. P. Murphy, Rev. S. E. Engstrom*
"Urgent Tasks to Be Faced in the City," (The Industrial Community, Neighborhoods in Transition, Approach to the Jews, Desegregation); Panel Discussion: *Rev. Robert A. McKibben,* chairman; *Rev. Ira D. Black, Rev. H. Conrad Hoyer, Rev. G. Merrill Lenox, Rev. Paul O. Madsen, Rev. G. Paul Musselman, Rev. Solomon S. Seay, Rev. John H. Shope, Rev. Emerson W. Smith*

Address: *Hon. J. Ernest Wilkins*

Closing Worship: *Rev. Purd E. Deitz*

Section Meetings

Tuesday evening, November 30, 7:30. The General Assembly convenes in four sections.

The purpose of the section discussions is to provide opportunity for the Assembly participants to evaluate the Council's program as a whole in four major areas of the co-operative enterprise of the churches. The work of the several divisions and departments will have been reviewed in their respective meetings and their reports will be available in the Assembly *Workbook.*

Each section will consider in its area:

1. *What phases of co-operative action need expansion?*
2. *What program activities have served their purpose or are not now essential?*
3. *What needs for co-operative action are not now being met or sufficiently emphasized?*

Section I

THE CHURCHES' WORLD-WIDE CONCERNS
Hotel Statler, *Ball Room*
Mrs. Douglas Horton, *chairman*

This Section looks outward upon the world where various units of the National Council of Churches proclaim the Gospel in word and deed.

VISUAL PRESENTATION
Rev. Robbins W. Barstow, *narrator*
Bruno Caliandro, *technical assistant*

PANEL MEMBERS
Mrs. Douglas Horton, *chairman*
Alford Carleton, *rapporteur*
Rev. Eugene Smith, Ruth Haines Purkaple, Lydia Garrido, David Moses, Harper Sibley, Frank P. Graham

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Section II

THE CHURCHES' WITNESS WITHIN THE NATION
Hotel Statler, *Georgian Room*
Charles P. Taft, *chairman*

This Section will examine and portray four areas in which the churches witness to their Christian faith in the life of the nation.

UNIT 1 . . . . . *The Christian and His Daily Work*
Speaker: Rev. Clifford J. Earle

Filmstrip: Excerpts from Part I of audio-visual series entitled, *Living Right at Our Work.*

UNIT 2 . . . . . *Racial and Cultural Relations*

Section of a radio program, *The Open Door,* which was presented on the National Council of Churches' radio series, *Let There Be Light.*

Discussion on "The Witness of the Racially Inclusive Church" between Rev. Galen Weaver and Rev. David Cory.

UNIT 3 . . . . . *The Maintenance of American Freedom*
Speaker: Charles C. Parlin

UNIT 4 . . . . . *The Christian Witness Through Mass Media*
Speakers: Rev. Berlyn Farris, George Crothers

Film: Excerpts from National Council of Churches' film, *City Story,* and excerpts from TV Youth Program of the National Council of Churches, *Look Up and Live.*

Section III

THE CHURCHES' MINISTRY TO SPECIALIZED GROUPS
John Hancock Auditorium
Mrs. Norman Vincent Peale, *chairman*

This section will review the different services carried on with special groups not normally reached by the local parish.

DISCUSSANTS	RESOURCE LEADERS	SUMMARIZER
Rev. R. A. Lightbody	Mrs. Alice Goddard	Rev. H. Conrad Hoyer
J. Irwin Miller	Rev. I. George Nace	
Rev. Hermann N. Morse	Rev. Paul Tilden	
	Mrs. Muriel Webb	

Section IV

THE CHURCHES' NURTURE OF THEIR MEMBERS
Sheraton Plaza Hotel, *Ball Room*
Rev. Paul Calvin Payne, *chairman*

This section will explore the way by which the churches confront individual Christians and the Christian community with the Gospel, with our historic Christian faith, and with the implications of that faith for every aspect of life.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Rev. Walter G. Muelder

DRAMATIC PRESENTATION

PANEL DISCUSSION

Participants: Rev. Paul Calvin Payne
Rev. Walter G. Muelder
Rev. Arnold S. Nash

DISCUSSION GROUP REPORTERS

Breakfasts

8:15 A.M., Sunday, November 28—Press
Hotel Statler, Parlor A, Mezzanine

7:45 A.M., Monday, November 29—Committee on Ministry to Defense Communities
Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Room 131

7:30 A.M., Tuesday, November 30—American Baptist Participants
Hotel Statler, Parlor C

7:30 A.M., Tuesday, November 30—Division of Life and Work, Denominational Staff Conference
Hotel Statler, Rooms 406-8

7:30 A.M., Tuesday, November 30—Section III Participants
Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Back Bay Room

7:45 A.M., Tuesday, November 30—Division of Foreign Missions and International Missionary Council
Hotel Statler, Room 418

7:45 A.M., Tuesday, November 30—Personnel Committee, Urban Church
Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Room 131

7:30 A.M., Wednesday, December 1—Panel Members, City Theme Participants Division of Home Missions
Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Room 131

Luncheons

12:15 P.M., Monday, November 29—Central Department of Ecumenical Relations
Hotel Statler, Room 408

12:15 P.M., Monday, November 29—Division of Christian Education, Business Committee
Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Back Bay Room

12:15 P.M., Monday, November 29—Association of Council Secretaries
Sheraton Plaza Hotel, State Suite

12:15 P.M., Monday, November 29—Rural Missions Co-operating Committee
Hotel Statler, Room 407

1:00 P.M., Tuesday, November 30—Division of Home Missions
Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Foyer

1:00 P.M., Tuesday, November 30—Division of Foreign Missions
Hotel Statler, Bay State Room

12:15 P.M., Wednesday, December 1—United Church Women
Hotel Statler, Ball Room

12:15 P.M., Wednesday, December 1—United Church Men
Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Foyer

12:15 P.M., Thursday, December 2—Joint Department of American Communities Overseas
Hotel Statler, Parlor C, Mezzanine

12:30 P.M., Friday, December 3—General Board
Old South Church, Mary Norton Hall, Copley Square

Dinners

6:00 P.M., Saturday, November 27—Committee on Message
Hotel Statler 419

7:00 P.M., Monday, November 29—Fellowship Dinner General Assembly Participants
Hotel Statler, Ball Room

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

FOR THE

OFFICERS, THE GENERAL BOARD, AND THE EXECUTIVE STAFF

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The time for the installation having arrived, the President of the Council shall stand at the Communion Table and, calling by name and office the newly elected officers before him, shall say to them:

My Christian friends, you have been called to these responsible offices in the National Council of Churches, your friends and colleagues deeming you to be worthy of these exacting responsibilities during the years ahead.

You have accepted these obligations, we are sure, in the spirit of humble dedication to the cause of Christ and have long since covenanted to give them unstinted labor and uncalculated zeal.

We call you now before this Assembly not to test your devotion to Christ and his Church for we are persuaded that has no need of proof. We bring you here rather to assure you of our constant support in order that we may, all together, pledge ourselves anew in our common task to the glorious kingdom of our Lord. Toward that end let us humbly invoke the blessing of Almighty God. Let us pray.

> Almighty God, the Inspirer of prophets and apostles, and of every true and good thought and feeling in all men; we would join thy whole Church throughout the world in thanking thee for the gift of the Spirit by which thou hast enabled some in all ages to be the teachers and leaders of their brethren; and we pray thee so to pour out the same Spirit upon us that we may know and understand the deep things of God, and that love, goodness, and all fruits of righteousness may abound in our lives to thy praise and glory, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then addressing the President-elect he shall say to him:

You have been chosen by these representatives of the churches to serve as their leader for the coming term. This election is a high tribute to your ability, vision, and Christian purpose. It is also a call to a new Christian service added to the heavy duties already resting upon you in your own branch of Christ's church.

Do you accept this election with its attendant privileges and responsibilities, resolved faithfully to discharge every obligation laid upon you, relying upon the continual presence of God the Holy Spirit for guidance, for comfort, and for strength?

Here the President-elect shall respond:

With the help of God I do so resolve.

Then addressing the other elected officers the President shall say:

Reposing no less confidence in you, the General Assembly has chosen you as its chief elected officers during the coming term. While your abilities are varied, you display a common dedication. These offices are placed before you, not as rewards for past service faithfully performed, but as opportunities for new service in the cause of Christ. Do you accept these elections with their attendant privileges and responsibilities, resolved faithfully to discharge every obligation laid upon you, relying upon the continual presence of God the Holy Spirit for guidance, for comfort, and for strength?

Here the elected officers shall respond:

A SERVICE of INSTALLATION

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of ROY G. ROSS
as *general secretary*

and of ROSWELL P. BARNES
as *associate general secretary*

of the NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

12:15 P.M. Tuesday, November 30, 1954
TRINITY CHURCH, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

the order of service

Bishop William C. Martin, *presiding*

ORGAN: Prelude in B-Minor, *Bach* — George Faxon, *organist*

CALL TO WORSHIP — Bishop Martin
(the people standing and reading responsively)

"Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
AND WHO SHALL STAND IN HIS HOLY PLACE?
He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
WHO DOES NOT LIFT UP HIS SOUL TO WHAT IS FALSE,
and does not swear deceitfully.
HE WILL RECEIVE BLESSING FROM THE LORD,
and vindication from the God of his salvation.
SUCH IS THE GENERATION OF THOSE WHO SEEK HIM,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob."

PRAYER OF INVOCATION — Bishop Martin

A HYMN OF PRAISE (*the people standing*)
"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" — Hymn 384

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES — 2 Peter 1:1-11
Luther Allan Weigle

THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFICERS — Hermann N. Morse

Mr. President, I am happy to present to you the Reverend Roy G. Ross and the Reverend Roswell P. Barnes, who have been elected General Secretary and Associate General Secretary of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Their election has elicited the affectionate good wishes of their brother ministers and the people of our churches. They have been serving with distinction in these offices and I bring them now to you for formal installation before this assembly.

AN ACT OF COMMENDATION — Riley B. Montgomery

The ministers and people of the brotherhood of the Disciples of Christ rejoice that our brother, Roy G. Ross, has been called to this responsible ministry and important field of work. We commend him to the service of the churches of the National Council. We assure him we will always follow him with our friendly interest and our fervent prayers, asking that the Holy Spirit be his constant companion and effectual help.

RALPH WALDO LLOYD

The ministers and people of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. rejoice that our brother, Roswell P. Barnes, has been called to this responsible ministry and important field of work. We commend him to the service of the churches of the National Council. We assure him we will always follow him with our friendly interest and our fervent prayers, asking that the Holy Spirit be his constant companion and effectual help.

A PLEDGE OF LOYALTY *(members of the Executive Staff standing)*

We rejoice in the new opportunities for the advancement of the cause of Christ which open to these our companions and our friends. As we have worked gladly together as colleagues in former days so now we shall work with equal joy as they become our leaders. And to them both we proffer our loyal support as together we labor for the Lord.

THE CHARGE TO THE ELECTED SECRETARIES BISHOP MARTIN

You have heard the prayers offered on your behalf and you stand before us with the confidence and support of your brother ministers. You have heard your colleagues of the staff, your companions of the years, pledge their loyal support. Do you now, in the presence of God and before this assembly, assume the obligations of your offices, endeavoring to discharge them honorably as valiant servants of Jesus Christ?

THE RESPONSE BY THE SECRETARIES

We accept the responsibilities of this new ministry and service, thankful for all those who have gone before us in the common undertakings of the churches, grateful for those with whom we labor, and confident that God will reveal to us all his will and purpose for his Church. To this work we pledge the best efforts of our minds and hearts.

ASSURANCE OF SUPPORT

(the members of the General Assembly standing)

We the representatives of the churches rejoice that these our brothers have heard the call of Christ in this, his call and ours, to leadership in our Council. We pledge to them our continual support and loyalty as together we seek to fashion our Council more and more to do the will of Christ.

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND INTERCESSION

BISHOP MARTIN

Hymn: "My Soul Be on Thy Guard" Hymn 555

A Statement by Dr. Ross

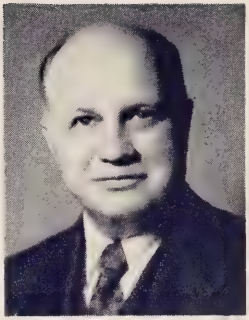
A Statement by Dr. Barnes

HYMN OF DEDICATION "He Who Would Valiant Be" Hymn 563

BENEDICTION *(the people standing)* DR. ROSS

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Fugue in B-Minor, *Bach*

DR. ROY G. ROSS



Roy G. Ross was born in Forrest, Illinois. He was graduated from Eureka College and the Divinity School of Yale University. He subsequently did graduate work at the University of Chicago. He was awarded the LL.D. degree from Eureka College in 1936, the D.D. degree from Otterbein College in 1952, and the D.D. degree from Butler University in 1954. He was married in 1929 to Elizabeth Elsie Green of Owosso, Michigan. Dr. and Mrs. Ross have one daughter, Mrs. William E. Thompson, and a granddaughter, Margaret Laura.

Dr. Ross was ordained in the ministry of the Disciples of Christ in 1923. He held pastorates at Carrollton, Illinois; North Cornwall, Connecticut; and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. For three years he was national director of Youth Work of the Disciples of Christ, after which he served as executive secretary of Religious Education for his communion. In 1936 he became the general secretary of the International Council of Religious Education, which position he held until the establishment of the National Council of Churches. At the Cleveland Constituting Convention he was elected executive secretary of the Division of Christian Education and associate general secretary of the new Council. In 1951 he relinquishd the first position to give full time to the Council's General Administration. In 1953 he was elected general secretary.

Dr. Ross is a trustee of the Disciples Divinity House of the University of Chicago, a trustee of the Religious Education Foundation, and a member of the Board of Managers of the World Council of Christian Education.

DR. ROSWELL P. BARNES

Roswell P. Barnes was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and was graduated from Lafayette College with the degrees of B.A. and M.A. He took graduate work at Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary. Lafayette College awarded him the D.D. degree in 1941. He married Helen Ackley Bosworth. Dr. and Mrs. Barnes have two children, Margaret Agnes (Mrs. Thomas Lehrecke) and a son bearing his father's name, and two grandchildren, David John Lehrecke and Thomas Frederick Lehrecke. Ordained in the Presbyterian U.S.A. ministry, Dr. Barnes served two New York city congregations of that church, first as an associate minister of the Park Avenue Church (1928 to 1932) and later as the pastor of the University Heights Church (1932 to 1937). For the next thirteen years he was associated with the Federal Council of Churches as associate secretary of the Department of International Justice and Goodwill (1937-1940) and later as one of the Federal Council's associate general secretaries. He has long been identified with the work of the World Council of Churches, having been a committee secretary at the Amsterdam Assembly and a delegate and section chairman at the Evanston Assembly. When the National Council of Churches was formed he became the executive secretary of its Division of Christian Life and Work. He was named associate general secretary in November, 1953.

With the help of God I do so resolve.

Here the elected officers shall return to their places and a few moments of silent prayer shall be spent in intercession for these officers.

Then turning to the newly elected members of the General Board sitting together, the President shall ask them to stand in their places and shall say to them:

To you has been officially committed the maintenance and direction of this Council until the meeting of the next Assembly. No more important responsibility could be delegated. No more significant task could be assumed. It has not been remitted to you without careful thought and prayer. It must not be accepted by you without a solemn understanding of this trust.

Do you accept, therefore, this membership on the General Board realizing the nature of this obligation? Will you regularly attend its meetings? Will you accept and discharge to the best of your abilities the duties from time to time laid upon you? Will you seek to understand the Council and interpret it to others? Will you seek always in your decisions its welfare and its good? And when earnest men cannot agree will you resolve to maintain inviolate in this Board the fellowship of believers, the blessed company of those redeemed by Christ? Above all will you continue to pray that the Council may wax strong, not as the world measures strength, but according to the standard of Christ, that his will may be done through it and through you, and that it may aid the churches in this land to know and do the will of Christ?

Do you solemnly resolve to fulfill these duties and all those which the Holy Spirit may from time to time reveal to you, the Lord being your helper?

Here the members of the General Board shall respond:

With the help of God I do so resolve.

Here the members of the General Board shall be seated and a few moments of silent prayer shall be spent in intercession for these persons.

Then, turning to the newly elected members of the Executive Staff sitting together, the President shall ask them to stand in their places and say to them:

To you has been committed the high office of the administration of this Council, the creation of the Churches. For thousands of persons in our churches and communities you have become and will become living symbols of this co-operative undertaking. Each one of you has been chosen for his work by many other persons reposing unreserved confidence in your ability, in your skill, and in your consecration to your Lord. Yours is a difficult, a complex, and often a lonely ministry. We shall not forget you in our prayers. We extend now to you in your election our confidence and our support.

Will you assume, therefore, the duties of your several offices, holding these responsibilities as trusts from God?

> "There are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working but it is the same God who inspires them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good."

Do you resolve to undertake your duties as in the sight of God?

Here the members of the Executive Staff shall respond:

With the help of God I do so resolve.

Here the members of the Executive Staff shall be seated and a few moments of silent prayer shall be spent in intercession for these persons.

Then the President shall read from Holy Scripture Romans 12, the congregation remaining in the posture and spirit of meditation and prayer.

Following the reading of the Scripture, the President shall pray:

"Thou who dost call men and women to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, grant thy strengthening grace to all who have responded to thy call. Give them vision to see the greatness of their service. Guide them in all their preparation, enriching the good gifts which they already possess and supplying those which they lack. Give them happiness and peace, insight and adaptability, courage and good judgment. Make them ready to learn as well as to teach, to receive as well as to give, that they may truly show forth Jesus, not only in their words but in their lives.

"God of peace, who through thy Son Jesus Christ didst set forth one faith for the salvation of mankind, send thy grace and heavenly blessing upon all Christian people who are striving to draw nearer to thee and to each other, in the unity of the spirit and in the bond of peace. Give us penitence for our divisions, wisdom to know thy truth, courage to do thy will, love which shall break down the barriers of pride and prejudice, and an unswerving loyalty to thy Holy Name. Suffer us not to shrink from any endeavor, which is in accordance with thy will, for the peace and unity of thy Church. Give us boldness to seek only thy glory and the advancement of thy kingdom. Unite us all in thee as thou, O Father, with thy Son and the Holy Spirit, art one God, world without end."

After which the congregation shall pray aloud together the Lord's Prayer and the hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have" (No. 500), shall be sung, during the singing of which the retiring President shall escort the newly elected President to the pulpit where he shall deliver his inaugural message.

Worship Services

Monday, November 29, 1954, at 12:00 Noon

CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMN: "O Worship the King" (No. 20)
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
LESSON: Luke 1: 28-30, 2: 52 1. Sam. 2:26
SERMON: "The Favored of God"
PRAYERS
HYMN: "Now Thank We All Our God" (No. 21)
BENEDICTION

Leader of worship and preacher, Rev. Mrs. James D. Wyker

Thursday, December 2, 1954, at 12:00 Noon

CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMN: "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" (No. 5)
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
LESSON: Acts 8: 26-40
SERMON: "Beginning with This Scripture"
PRAYERS
HYMN: "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" (No. 3)
BENEDICTION

Leader of worship and preacher, Rev. Theodore P. Ferris

Friday December 3, 1954, at 12:00 Noon

CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMN: "Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve" (No. 23)
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
LESSON: Hebrews 11: 32—12: 2
SERMON: "To Satisfy the Saints"
PRAYERS
HYMN: "For All the Saints, Who from Their Labors Rest" (No. 24)
BENEDICTION

Leader of worship and preacher, Bishop Bertram W. Doyle

ANDERSON, LEILA W., *assistant general secretary for Program, National Council of Churches, New York*

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BARNES, REV. ROSWELL P., *associate general secretary, National Council of Churches, New York*

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BARSTOW, REV. ROBBINS W., *director, Departments of Ecumenical Relations and American Communities Overseas, National Council of Churches, New York*

BEASLEY, CLARENCE, *chairman, Massachusetts-Boston Committee on Local Arrangements, Boston*

BLACK, REV. IRA D., *director, City Work Department, Board of Home Missions, Congregational Christian Churches, New York*

BLAKE, REV. EUGENE CARSON, *stated clerk, Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., Philadelphia*

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BUTLER, GEORGE, *organist, First Parish Church, Brookline*

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CALIANDRO, BRUNO, *student at Union Theological Seminary, New York*

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CARPENTER, REV. GEORGE W., *executive secretary, Africa Committee, Division of Foreign Missions, National Council of Churches, New York*

CARTER, REV. E. RUSSELL, *field representative for Indian Work, Division of Home Missions, National Council of Churches, Lawrence*

CASE, REV. HAROLD C., *president, Boston University*

CAVERLY, ERNEST R., *superintendent of schools, Brookline*

CAVERT, REV. SAMUEL MCCREA, *American secretary, World Council of Churches, New York*

CHARRIER, FRANCES, *student chairman, Student Volunteer Movement; Student at Union Theological Seminary, New York*

CHASTAIN, REV. THERON, *executive secretary, American Baptist Home Mission Society, New York*

COE, REV. ALBERT BUCKNER, *moderator, General Council of the Congregational Christian Churches and President, Massachusetts Congregational Christian Conference, Boston*

COGSWELL, REV. FRANKLIN D., *general director, Joint Commission on Missionary Education and associate executive secretary of the Division of Christian Education, National Council of Churches, New York*

COPLAND, REV. E. BRUCE, *associate secretary, Missionary Personnel, Division of Foreign Missions, National Council of Churches, New York*

CORY, REV. DAVID, *executive secretary, Brooklyn Division, Protestant Council of the City of New York, Brooklyn*

CROTHERS, GEORGE, *director of Public Affairs, Columbia Broadcasting System, New York*

DAHLBERG, REV. EDWIN T., *minister, Delmar Avenue Baptist Church, St. Louis*

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DELORIA, REV. VINE V., *assistant secretary, Division of Domestic Missions, Home Department, National Council, Protestant Episcopal Church, New York*

DONEGAN, RT. REV. HORACE W. B., *bishop, Protestant Episcopal Diocese of New York, New York*

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EMMONS, REV. PETER K., *president, Board of Foreign Missions, Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., Scranton*

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FARRIS, REV. BERLYN V., *executive director, Joint Department of Evangelism, National Council of Churches, New York*

FAXON, GEORGE H., *organist, Trinity Church, Boston*

FERRIS, REV. THEODORE P., *rector, Trinity Episcopal Church, Boston*

FIERS, REV. A. DALE, *president, United Christian Missionary Society, Indianapolis*

FLEMMING, ARTHUR S., *division vice-president and chairman of the Division of Christian Life and Work, National Council of Churches; president of Ohio Wesleyan University (on leave of absence); director of Office of Defense Mobilization, Washington*

FORD, REV. WILLIS R., *executive secretary, Council of Churches and Christional Education of Maryland-Delaware, Baltimore*

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GREGORY, BISHOP D. T., *Evangelical United Brethren Church, Pittsburgh*

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HARRIS, RUTH, *Field Program secretary, Student Volunteer Movement, New York*

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JACKSON, REV. SAMUEL ALLEN, *president, Boston Council of Churches, Boston*

JENSEN, REV. ALFRED, *president, American Evangelical Lutheran Church, Des Moines*

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KENNEDY, BISHOP GERALD H., *bishop for the Los Angeles Area, The Methodist Church, Los Angeles*

KENYON, HELEN, *former moderator of the General Council, Congregational Christian Churches; Member of General Board, National Council of Churches, New York*

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LENOX, REV. G. MERRILL, *executive director, Michigan and Detroit Councils of Churches, Lansing and Detroit*

LENTZ, REV. RICHARD E., *executive director, Joint Department of Family Life and Adult Work, National Council of Churches, Chicago*

LIGHTBODY, REV. R. A., *pastor, Wakefield Baptist Church, Wakefield*

LLOYD, REV. RALPH WALDO, *president of Maryville College; moderator of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., Maryville*

LORD, BISHOP JOHN WESLEY, *bishop for the Boston Area, The Methodist Church; president of the Massachusetts Council of Churches, Boston*

MACLEOD, REV. GEORGE, *founder and leader of the Iona Community, and Harry Emerson Fosdick visiting professor, Union Theological Seminary, New York*

MACLEOD, MRS. W. MURDOCH, *general director, General Department United Church Women, New York*

MADSEN, REV. PAUL O., *secretary, Department of Cities, American Baptist Home Mission Society, New York*

MALIK, HON. CHARLES, *ambassador of Lebanon to the United States, Washington*

MALONEY, ALICE, *associate secretary, Town and Country Church, Board of National Missions, Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., New York*

MATHESON, CHARLES B., *professor of Music, Gordon College, Boston*

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1. O God, Our Help

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come.
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home:

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while life shall last,
And our eternal home. *Amen.*

Tune: St. Anne — *Issac Watts, 1719*

2. In Christ There Is No East or West

In Christ there is no East or West,
In him no South or North;
But one great fellowship of love,
Throughout the whole wide earth.

In him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord
Close binding all mankind.

Join hands, then, brothers of the faith,
Whate'er your race may be.
Who serves my Father as a son
Is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both East and West,
In him meet South and North;
All Christly souls are one in him
Throughout the whole wide earth. *Amen.*

Tune: St. Peter — *John Oxenham, 1908*

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3. Jesus Shall Reign Wher'er the Sun

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on his love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on his Name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns;
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen! *Amen.*

Tune: Duke Street — *Isaac Watts, 1719*

4. A Mighty Fortress

A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing:
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great,
And, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing;
Were not the right Man on our side,
The Man of God's own choosing:
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he:
Lord Sabaoth his Name,
From age to age the same,
And he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us;
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us:
The prince of darkness grim,
We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure,
For lo! his doom is sure,
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers,
No thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gift are ours
Through him who with us sideth:
Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also;
The body they may kill:
God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is forever. *Amen.*

Tune: Ein' Feste Burg — *Martin Luther, 1529*

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5. Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver,
Born a child, and yet a king,
Born to reign in us for ever,
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone:
By thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to thy glorious throne. *Amen.*

Tune: Stuttgart — *Charles Wesley*

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6. All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all.
Go, spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe
On this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe,
And crown him Lord of all;
To him all majesty ascribe,
And crown him Lord of all. *Amen.*

Tune: Miles Lane or Coronation — *Edward Perronet, 1779, 1780*

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7. Faith of Our Fathers

Faith of our fathers, living still
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword,
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word:
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! God's great power
Shall win all nations unto thee;
And through the truth that comes from God
Mankind shall then be truly free:
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach thee, too, as love knows how
By kindly words and virtuous life:
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death. *Amen.*

Tune: St. Catherine — *Frederick W. Faber, 1849*

8. The Church's One Foundation

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation
By water and the word:
From heaven he came and sought her
To be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her,
And for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with thee. *Amen.*

Tune: Aurelia

Samuel J. Stone, 1866

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9. Where Cross the Crowded Ways

Where cross the crowded ways of life,
Where sound the cries of race and clan,
Above the noise of selfish strife,
We hear they voice, O Son of man.

In haunts of wretchedness and need,
On shadowed thresholds dark with fears,
From paths where hide the lures of greed,
We catch the vision of thy tears.

O Master, from the mountainside,
Make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
Among these restless throngs abide,
O tread the city's streets again,

Till sons of men shall learn thy love,
And follow where thy feet have trod;
Till glorious from thy heaven above
Shall come the city of our God. *Amen.*

Tune: Germany

Frank Mason North, 1903

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10. O God of Bethel

O God of Bethel, by whose hand
Thy people still are fed;
Who through this weary pilgrimage
Hast all our fathers led:

Our vows, our prayers, we now present
Before thy throne of grace:
God of our fathers, be the God
Of their succeeding race.

Through each perplexing path of life
Our wand'ring footsteps guide;
Give us each day our daily bread;
And raiment fit provide.

O Spread thy shelt'ring wings around
Till all our wand-rings cease,
And at our Father's loved abode
Our souls arrive in peace!

Such blessings from thy gracious hand
Our humble prayers implore;
And thou shalt be our chosen God.
And portion evermore. *Amen.*

Tune: Dundee

Philip Doddridge
John Logan

11. All People That on Earth Do Dwell

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice:
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell,
Come ye before him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed;
Without our aid he did us make:
We are his folk, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his Name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure. *Amen.*

Tune: Old Hundredth — *William Kethe*

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12. O God, Beneath Thy Guiding Hand

O God, beneath thy guiding hand
Our exiled fathers crossed the sea;
And when they trod the wintry strand,
With prayer and psalm they worshiped thee.

Thou heard'st, well pleased, the song, the prayer:
Thy blessing came; and still its power
Shall onward, through all ages, bear
The mem'ry of that holy hour.

Laws, freedom, truth, and faith in God
Came with those exiles o'er the waves;
And where their pilgrim feet have trod,
The God they trusted guards their graves.

And here thy Name, O God of love,
Their children's children shall adore,
Till these eternal hills remove,
And spring adorns the earth no more.
Amen.

Tune: Duke Street — *Leonard Bacon, 1833*

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13. Blest Be the Tie

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims, are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes,
Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

From sorrow, toil, and pain,
And sin, we shall be free;
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity. *Amen.*

Tune: Boylston — *John Fawcett, 1782*

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14. God of Grace and God of Glory

God of grace and God of glory,
On thy people pour thy power;
Crown thine ancient Church's story;
Bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour.
For the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
Scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
Free our hearts to faith and praise:
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the living of these days.
For the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness,
Bend our bride to thy control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
Rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places;
Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christlike graces
In the fight to set men free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
That we fail not man nor thee.
That we fail not man nor thee. *Amen.*

Tune: CWM Rhondda — *Harry Emerson Fosdick*

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15. O Day of God

O Day of God, draw nigh
In beauty and in power,
Come with thy timeless judgment now
To match our present hour.

Bring to our troubled minds,
Uncertain and afraid,
The quiet of a steadfast faith,
Calm of a call obeyed.

Bring justice to our land,
That all may dwell secure,
And finely build for days to come
Foundations that endure.

Bring to our world of strife
Thy sov'reign word of peace,
That war may haunt the earth no more
And desolation cease.

O Day of God, draw nigh
As at creation's birth,
Let there be light again, and set
Thy judgments on the earth. *Amen.*

Tune: St. Michael — *R. B. Y. Scott, alt.*

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16. O Word of God Incarnate

O Word of God incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth, unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky;
We praise thee for the radiance
That from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps,
Shines on from age to age.

The Church from her dear Master
Received the gift divine,
And still that light she lifteth
O'er all the earth to shine.
It is the golden casket
Where gems of truth are stored;
It is the heav'n-drawn picture
Of Christ, the living Word.

It floateth like a banner
Before God's host unfurled;
It shineth like a beacon
Above the darkling world;
It is the chart and compass
That o'er life's surging sea,
'Mid mists and rocks and quicksands,
Still guides, O Christ, to thee.

O make thy Church, dear Savior,
A lamp of purest gold,
To bear before the nations
Thy true light as of old;
O teach thy wand'ring pilgrims
By this their path to trace,
Till, clouds and darkness ended,
They see thee face to face. *Amen.*

Tune: Munich — *William Walsham How*

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17. Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Sion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken,
Formed thee from his own abode;
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,

And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river
Ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver,
Never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hov'ring,
See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a cov'ring,
Showing that the Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner,
Light by night, and shade by day,
Safe they feed upon the manna
Which he gives them when they pray.

Blest inhabitants of Sion,
Washed in the Redeemer's blood!
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
Makes them kings and priests to God.
'Tis his love his people raises
Over self to reign as kings:
And as priests, his solemn praises
Each for a thank-off'ring brings. *Amen.*

Tune: Austria — *John Newton, alt.*

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18. God of Our Fathers, Whose Almighty Hand

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies.
Our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
In this free land by thee our lot is cast;
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay.
Thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence.
Be thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever thine. *Amen.*

Tune: National Hymn — *Daniel Crane Roberts, 1876*

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19. Praise to the Lord

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
Now to his temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord! Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth;
Hast thou not seen
How thy entreaties have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord! Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee.
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
If with his love he befriend thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
Sound from his people again;
Gladly for aye we adore him. *Amen.*

Tune: Lobe Den Herren — *Joachim Neander, 1680*

20. O Worship the King

O worship the King, all glorious above!
O gratefully sing his power and his love!
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of this might! O sing of his grace!
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth, with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old,
Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
Thy mercies, how tender! how firm to the end!
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend! *Amen.*

Tune: Hanover

Robert Grant, 1833

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21. Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God,
With heart, and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices,
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us!
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
Eternal, Triune God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. *Amen.*

Tune: Nun Danket

Martin Rinkart, c. 1630
Tr., C. Winkworth, 1858, alt.

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22. O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

O Master, let me walk with thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me thy secret; help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong,

In hope that sends a shinging ray
Far down the future's broad'ning way,
In peace that only thou canst give,
With thee, O Master, let me live. *Amen.*

Tune: Maryton

Washington Gladden, 1879

23. Awake My Soul

Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve,
And press with vigor on;
A heavenly race demands thy zeal,
And an immortal crown.

A cloud of witnesses around
Hold thee in full survey;
Forget the steps already trod,
And onward urge thy way.

'Tis God's all-animating voice
That calls thee from on high;
'Tis his own hand presents the prize
To thine aspiring eye.

Then wake, my soul, stretch every nerve,
And press with vigor on;
A heavenly race demands thy zeal,
And an immortal crown. *Amen.*

Tune: Christmas

Philip Doddridge, 1755

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24. For All the Saints

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might:
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, the one true light.
Alleluia, alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, alleluia! *Amen.*

Tune: Sine nomine

William W. How, 1864

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25. When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God:
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an off'ring far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all. *Amen.*

Tune: Rockingham or Hamburg

Isaac Watts, 1707